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SUBJECT: POSITION PAPER FOR NONTARIFF MEASURES GROUP MEETING,
JANUARY 13 (TPSC 76-76, REV. 1)

REFERENCES: (A) MTN GENEVA 00120; (B) YEUTTER-WALKER TELECON,
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1. WE APPRECIATE MTN DELEGATION'S CONCERN WITH REGARD TO
PROPOSED STATEMENT ON TAX PRACTICES AT JANUARY 13 MEETING
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OF NONTARIFF MEASURES (NTM) PARENT GROUP (REF A). WE CON-
TINUE TO BELIEVE THAT A STATEMENT ON THIS ISSUE SHOULD BE
MADE BUT RECOGNIZE THAT MTN DELEGATION SHOULD HAVE NECESSARY
FLEXIBILITY TO TAILOR STATEMENT TO NEEDS OF MEETING. OUR
MAJOR CONCERN IS THAT WE ATTAIN OBJECTIVES SET FORTH IN FIRST
TWO PARAGRAPHS UNDER HEADING ON PAGE 5 "OTHER BUSINESS -
U.S. STATEMENT ON TAX PRACTICES". WE ARE LESS CONCERNED

WITH EXACT CONTENT OF STATEMENT.

2. IN VIEW OF ABOVE, FOLLOWING CHANGES SHOULD BE MADE IN REVISED VERSION OF TPSC 76-76 (POUCHED GENEVA LAST FRIDAY, JANUARY 7):

3. FIRST LINE OF RECOMMENDATION 4 NOW READING "REGARDING TAX PRACTICES, THE U.S. REPRESENTATIVE SHOULD" SHOULD BE CHANGED TO READ: "REGARDING TAX PRACTICES, THE U.S. REPRESENTATIVE:".

4. DELETE PRESENT RECOMMENDATION 4(A) AND REPLACE IT WITH "SHOULD MAKE A STATEMENT THAT WOULD ACHIEVE OBJECTIVES SET FORTH IN FIRST TWO PARAGRAPHS UNDER HEADING 'OTHER BUSINESS - U.S. STATEMENT ON TAX PRACTICES' ON PAGE 5. U.S. DELEGATION MAY, AS APPROPRIATE, DRAW ON SUGGESTED STATEMENT ON PAGES 5-6 FOR GUIDANCE IN MAKING THIS STATEMENT".

5. DELETE PRESENT RECOMMENDATION 4(B) AND REPLACE IT WITH, "MAY, AS APPROPRIATE, CONTACT, PRIOR TO THE MEETING, THE EC, CANADA, AND JAPAN TO REITERATE OUR VIEW THAT THIS ISSUE DESERVES CLOSER INTERNATIONAL ATTENTION, ESPECIALLY IN LIGHT OF THE RECENT GATT PANEL FINDINGS. THE U.S. REPRESENTATIVE MAY ALSO INDICATE THAT WE INTEND TO RAISE ISSUE AT NTM PARENT GROUP MEETING IN LOW-KEY MANNER IN ORDER TO REITERATE OUR OFT-EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT THE SERIOUSNESS OF THIS MATTER".

6. LINE UNDER HEADING "OTHER BUSINESS - U.S. STATEMENT ON LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TAX PRACTICES" ON PAGE 5 NOW READING "THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT ATTEMPTS TO ACCOMPLISH THIS AND TO OPEN THE DOOR FOR DISCUSSIONS ON THIS MATTER" SHOULD BE CHANGED TO READ "THE U.S. REPRESENTATIVE MAY, AS APPROPRIATE, DRAW ON THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT FOR GUIDANCE IN ORDER TO ACCOMPLISH THIS".

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